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In re Application of: EDWARD A. HUBBARD
Filed: MARCH 30, 2000
For: DISTRIBUTED BACK-UP SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED METHOD
Serial No.: 09/539,107
Group Art Unit: 2759
Examiner: UNKNOWN
Atty Dkt: UNTD:008

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.8, I certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a first class, postage prepaid envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on the date below:

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the document(s) listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

The present Information and Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of a first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits, and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these materials, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No. 10-1205/UNTD:008.

This application is related to a number of co-pending applications. For the Examiner's information, these applications (copies enclosed), including the current application, are:

- p • U.S. Serial No. 09/538,543 entitled "Distributed Parallel Processing System Having Capability-Based Incentives and Associated Method" (Atty Docket: UNTD:002);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/539,023 entitled "Sweepstakes Incentive Model and Associated System" (Atty Docket: UNTD:003);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/539,448 entitled "Capability-Based Distributed Parallel Processing System and Associated Method" (Atty Docket: UNTD:004);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/539,428 entitled "Method of Managing Distributed Workloads and Associated System" (Atty Docket: UNTD:005);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/539,106 entitled "Network Site Testing Method and Associated System" (Atty Docket: UNTD:006);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/538,542 entitled "Network Site Content Indexing Method and Associated System" (Atty Docket: UNTD:007);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/539,107 entitled "Distributed Back-Up System and Associated Method" (Atty Docket: UNTD:008);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/603,740 entitled "Method of Managing Workloads and Associated Distributed Processing System" (Atty Docket: UNTD:009);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/602,789 entitled "Machine Generated Sweepstakes Entry Model and Associated Distributed Processing System" (Atty Docket UNTD:010);
- U.S. Serial No. 09/602,803 entitled "Data Sharing and File Distribution Method and Associated Distributed Processing System"(Atty Docket UNTD:011);

U.S. Serial No. 09/602,844 entitled "Data Conversion Services and Associated Distributed Processing System" (Atty Docket UNTD:012);

U.S. Serial No. 09/602,983 entitled "Customer Services And Advertising Based Upon Device Attributes and Associated Distributed Processing System" (Atty Docket UNTD:013); and

U.S. Serial No. 09/648,832 entitled "Security Architecture For Distributed Processing Systems and Associated Method" (Atty Docket: UNTD:014).

A copy of the listed document(s) required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed document(s) be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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